

Phil^a April 11 1882

My dear Dr. Gray

You confirm my guess about the
"Greenella"

I return Mrs. Syell's letter - with
thanks for the privilege of reading it. She
writes so pleasantly - & it is many years
since I have heard from her. Now
that she is resuming her interest
in ferns - I must send her some,
for the recent collectors in the west make
it easy to send her vastly better
specimens - than could be done ten years
ago. I shall take an early occasion to
make her an "envoi".

Lila returned to her "beloved Boston"
Monday week, and for her last
quarter, - for we can spare her
no longer, since Clara is to sail for
Europe on 24th May - for a summer tour.
It is a pleasure she has hardly hoped
for - but some N.Y. friends (a Mr. & Mrs.

Hunt with a daughter of eighteen years, have
so strongly urged her to join their party -
that it seems to us we ought to let
her go. She is a splendid traveler, - always
on time - never making herself miserable
over little annoyances - & will enjoy
it most keenly.

Canby was with me last evening,
& I showed him Mrs. Z yell's letter. Then
Canby, he reports in better spirits - but
her eyes can hardly be raised to
have improved - the sight of one being
especially gone. It is a sad thing.

Give our kind regards to Mrs.
gray

Most sincerely yours
John H. Dafield

to the Jersey shore - where a very peculiar flora I can be seen and where we can now the finest mushrooms in the world. - We think of devoting Saturday to that. Those who wish to go to the sea side can in the afternoon continue their ride to the ocean, & can be back to Phil. in good time. Monday morning

Monday evening 8th at the regular meeting time of our Bot. Soc. - We have thought of turning it into a kind of botanical reception - where we hope to get well acquainted with each other - perhaps hear some short addresses from visiting botanists - or perhaps get them into discussion over some of Leibniz' heresies - & wind up with peaches & ice cream.

A pilgrimage to Bartram's garden can easily be taken this afternoon & will probably be provided for. Some of the botanists may want to get to the tallest ground - & a committee will aid such - Other longer excursions of a general nature will be provided by the local

Phil. May 1851

My dear Dr. Gray

I am glad to hear again from you and to know that you & Mrs. Gray have accomplished your long journey with comfort & benefit. Had I known you were to pass through, - the hour would have had to be a very early one, to prevent me from seeing you at the station.

While we shall, of course feel disappointment should Sir Joseph & Lady Hooker be prevented from coming - we shall be equally glad to extend our hospitalities to Mr. Wall - and to Mrs. Wall - He is well known to all lovers of mountains and of mountain botany, and it will be a great privilege to entertain them.

I have not been unmindful of the friends named in this & in a former letter, and with reference to them - & to my own share of hospitality, I had an interview not long since with Joseph M.

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Horatio Wilson, who is Chairman of the
Com. on Wedgways. He is a Civil Engineer,
and when I spoke of your friend Mr.
Biswas being of that profession, he mani-
fested a good deal of interest in the
matter, and I feel sure that he will
do his best to give you a good time.
And I have no doubt he will make
good provision for Prof. Flower, and
I think Dr. Leidy will feel disposed to
interest himself in the latter, and I want
to take an early occasion to sound him.
We can most comfortably make a home
for two pairs - & have calculated on
you & Mr. Gray - & on Sir Joseph & his
Lady — or if they fail to come — on Mr.
& Mrs. Bell. — In case the former do
come — then I think Mr. Gray would be
glad to take Mr. Bell & wife. Mr. Bell
being an old correspondent of his. He
seemed quite surprised the other day
of learning that we expected him — and
I think he would be glad to take them any way.
But the distance of ^{*Under the state of Mr. Gray's health should be in the way.}Wilmington — from

the place of meeting etc. is so great that I
am sure it would be more convenient
for Mr. St. L. to be with us if we have
him, as we shall have should the Harbor
not come. — I beg that in writing to
these parties you will express the desire
of Mr. Redfield & myself to receive them,
& to do the best we can to make them
comfortable.

As to the programme of the meeting now
the details seem to crystallize slowly — the following
events seem to be pretty well settled.
The meeting will organize on Thursday Sept. 4.
The Manned people — having to be seated
on Wednesday evening — will cannot arrive
till late Thursday evening. Friday evening
will be devoted to a public reception
at the Acad. of Music. Saturday will
probably be devoted to excursions,
and many will take the opportunity to
get to the sea side on Sunday.
Our botanical visits — think that there
can be no better treat to the western
& to the foreign botanist — than a visit

committee - most of which will have botanical
instruments. Among those taken off -
are Delaware State Gap - French Creek
Laray Cave &c. - Some of them will
probably take in the Saturday & Sunday
the remainder after final adjournment.
But the excursion Committee has not yet
worked out its scheme. There are
also one or two other grand receptions
contemplated.

Arling, Mehan & myself are trying
to plan pleasant things for the botanists,
but till the general programme is decided
on - we can only say about what
I have given above.

I am glad to hear that your long
dig at the Composita, is near the end.
You will deserve a good rest, and
hope you will take it & accumulate
strength to finish the task.

We shall want a lot of copies here
- probably not so many as before - but I
can safely order a dozen - & will as
before - take upon me to do the financial

accord

This is a long note to send to a
busy man, - but all has been matter
which I thought you would wish to know.

My family join me in kindest
regards to Mrs. May & yourself

Sincerely yours,
John H. Medfield

Phil Aug 11, 1856

My dear Dr. Gray

The book arrived
on Saturday - after your letter of 8th inst.
Glad to know that you received some
comfortably. - I received a very com-
plete package - kept fairly & reached
Broad St. station at 7 A.M.

Thanks for the news about Goodale & the
Cassina.

The book signs are entirely satis-
factory and I enclose A. Whitney's
check for \$84⁴² to square the account.

Yours truly

John H. Kellogg

I suppose you too - had your little earthquake
at Beverly!

List of those who have received Vol 1. Part 2
 of Gray's Synopt. flora through J. H. Redfield
 Aug 1884

Acad. Nat. Sciences - Phil ^a	2 copies
John H. Redfield	1 "
Thos. Meehan	1 "
Wynne W. Wistar, Germantown "	1 "
Dr. Chas. Schaffer Phil ^a	1 "
J. J. Pennybacker	1 "
Wm M. Canby, Wilmington & del	1 "
Commons	1 "
Dr. J. Bernard Brinley Phil ^b	3 "
Prof Jos J. Rothrock, West Chester	1 "
Isaac Burk Phil ^a	1 "
Isaac C. Marlatt Camden	2 "
J. O. Schimmel Phil ^a	1 "
Aubrey H Smith not yet del	1 "
	18 "
add - Dr. Fritz	1
" J. S. Moyer	1
" Letterman	1
Prof Barnes	1
" J. C. Arthur	1
Probably Dr. W. E. Schultze - price	28 1
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Sept 23 1884

Phil^a Jan 31, 1855

My dear Dr. Gray

Concerning the 10 copies
of the new part of Script. Flora - sent me
Sept 4th since I replied to you I
have sold and collected for 2 copies
(1 to Dr. C. Schaffer & 1 to Josiah Keppler).

On the other hand - of the first
set of 18 copies - all of which I supposed I
had placed - 2 copies have not been
taken or paid for . to wit 1 to Aubrey
H. Smith. & 1 to J. L. Scammon. - There
may yet be asked for - both parties having
been notified that the copies were being
kept for them. - So that at present -
the cash account between you & I stands
balanced - with 3 copies of the book
in my hands to dispose of.

The Correia article has brought me
some very pleasant & interesting letters
- especially from Mrs. Clegg of Liverpool
& Prof. Lawson of Dublin.

Even; letters have given me some desire to see the "Sea of Nantucket.
Do you want to go there next summer?

Soon I suppose you & Mr. Gray will be flying southward. We hope we may see you on the way.

Lila returned to Boston this morning rather sooner than we had expected,

With kind regards to Mr. Gray

Yours sincerely
John H. Godwin

Hallock's box arrived yesterday.
Thanks to you both - for the plants
- & for to him for the determination
of the Coconuts. - which we have not yet opened.

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Phila May 21, 1880

My dear Dr. Gray

Just after receiving your kind note
of 18th & while we were planning for
a June start - I received one from
Sargent naming May 28th as
the time for the Utica M^t re-union.

As Canby can then be present,
we modify our plans, & shall leave
here on Tuesday - & be at the Bruns-
wick House, Boston on morning of
26th

As my wife & daughter have never seen
any thing of Boston we propose to make
that our head quarters for two or three
days. -- Afterwards we propose to
come out and see you & Mrs. Gray; - we
have so much to talk about, - But we
are in too strong force to draw upon
your hospitalities.

About the Centennial - of the Amer.
Acad. - The delegates which the Academy

had hoped to send - have mostly
found themselves unable to leave; -
in this case are Dr. Kieschke, Dr.
Leidy, Dr. Chapman & others.

But I think Leech will go,
& Canby also - & if that be not
enough - they can add me -- But
please send me a note at the Bruns-
wick about the matter. Am I right
as to the date of the affair 26th?

Yours sincerely
John B. Redfield

to know it, you may see that my
wife too has had just such an
attack as you speak of. I think the
house is better for it - but as for herself
she had a few weeks ago some diphtheroid
symptoms which left her weak &
unrested. She & Clara send their
kindest regard to Ellen Gray &
yourself.

I am very sorry to hear of
Mr. Watson's illness. - It was not worth
while to go to Guatemala - to bring home
fever - though doubtless he brought lots
of hay. I hope he will soon be entirely
recovered.

Yours sincerely
John W. Debyield

Phil^a. May 30, 1881

My dear Dr. Gray

I hope to find you again to see
you familiar hand, and I congratulate
late. You may trust yourself, on your safe
return, & for your deliverances from
all the perils of travel. You must
have had a delightful experience &
hope to have opportunity some day
to hear all the details of your travel.

That you should be "haunted" - by
the same stage-driver - who took Dr.
Towey's party into the Yosemite - is indeed
remarkable. We well remember him, -
had many a squabble with him & yet
grew to have a kind of liking for him
after all. It was he - who, when I
fainted from my horse, and lay sick on
the ground, in the Meadow meadow - with all
the party around commiserating me -
said to them "go on! go on! all of
you. I will stay by the old gentleman."

as long as we live, and bring him in
if he does?" And it will be too -
and looked with such amazement
upon our French fellow-traveler - who
for agesizing took a ^{long} time - was holding
silently in his mouth, - and exclaimed
- "Well, I could not do that!" - I should
let it go down! — I have no
doubt you had some funny experiences
with him.

Geo. von Martindale is financially
straitened - and I feel very sorry for
him. Some unfortunate loans were
made by his bank - and as he claims,
with the connivance of the Director, -
but the blame for which they tried to
throw upon him; - the result was that
he felt ^{thrust} upon to resign a position
which he had doubtless regarded as fixed
for life, - and I believe he has not yet
secured any other. The Academy has
bought about \$500 worth of his books. I
fear we will find it very difficult
to sell his Herbarium - for any price

like what it cost him. But it is a
splendid collection - and regardless
of cost, and in excellent condition
in well adapted cases - & is a fine
opportunity for any public institution
desiring an Herbarium.

Pla. is at No. 2 Louisville Square - has
been under the care of Dr. Becker since
January - most of the time upon his back -
is now just beginning to go out a little.
We hope he may be well enough to
join us about July 2. when we expect
again to try Seal Harbor at Mt. Desert.
Our itinerary is not yet perfected. But
I feel a strong inclination to "winkle off"
leaving them to go their way while I devote
a few days to Nantucket & perhaps
Martha's Vineyard. I am trying to
persuade Danby to join me but I
fear he cannot. - I wish you might
feel yourself disposed to do so, though
I suppose you have been there.
Yet don't you want to go again?

If it is any comfort to Mrs. Gray

The Fish House (way Board No.)
Seal Harbor, Aug. 1/55

My dear Dr. Gray

I have a little item, which seems to me of sufficient interest to communicate to you. I have just returned from an excursion of a few days to Castine, Belfast & Camden, on the little steamer between Castine & Belfast. I fell into conversation with a stranger who proved to be Mr. Daime whom I missed at Nantucket! Of course we soon engaged in talk upon the Nantucket flora - & one of the first things he had to tell me was that he knew of another locality of the Erica there - two or three miles away from the one I had visited. Does not this greatly strengthen the idea of the indigenous character of the plant? It seemed to me just the fact we were needing, & ~~so~~ I was glad that he made the statement to me, before I

had touched upon that question.

We have been thoroughly enjoying the varied charms of this lovely mountain isle, & cannot but wish that you & Mrs. Gray were here to enjoy it. We have not Rhuon meat. 84 number day maximum - but usually get it in the mid day point. Lila joined us yesterday - looking very nearly - but needing more strength.

Prof. Shaler arrived at this house yesterday & will find no plenty of material for glacial studies.

My family all send the kindest regards to Mr. Gray & yourself

Yours sincerely

John W. Redfield

I had a nice letter from Gandy the other day - but he told me that his wife had been burdened with sorrow having within a short time lost an uncle, an aunt and a brother.

Seal Harbor, Mt Desert

Sept 15 1885

My dear Mr. Gray

We have all been looking forward with such pleasant anticipation to the expected visit to Ellin Gray — that our disappointment is very great. The circumstances seem to render it impracticable.

A few weeks ago Clara had a very painful attack connected with an organic trouble of long standing, but seemed to have measurably recovered at the time my wife accepted Mrs. Gray's kind invitation. — But since then she has had a very severe return of it, and is now confined to her bed. Fortunately she has excellent medical attendance from a guest in the house. He prescribes the most absolute quiet, and thinks that we may able to leave here on 21st as already planned, but we must be got home as quietly and quickly as possible, and it certainly will not be prudent for her

to visit now.

We shall probably reach Boston by Bangor
boat, morning of 22nd, and leave there for
Patt's that afternoon either by Fall R. Steamer
- or by N.Y. & N. England R.R.

I hope to be able to run out to see you
that day, and to say lots of things that
I cannot now write.

Mr. Gray's disappointment cannot be
greater than our own - but I know
that we will understand and fully appreciate
the situation.

Lila left us yesterday for Boston, &
will remain for awhile - still under
medical supervision at 15 Louisburg Square
Her improvement has been wonderful - she is
only anxious now to hold all she has gained,
With kindest regards & regards to Mr. Gray
I remain

Most sincerely yours,
John K. Headfield

We have been compelled also to forego a detour we had
planned - via Bangor.

Phil^a Sept 25, 1883

My dear Dr. Gray

We reached home all right, early Wednesday morning, & are happy to say that Clara got through the journey as comfortably as could be expected - not much sleep of course. But she had a delicious sleep next night, and our physician talks quite encouragingly of her case.

Your note of 25th came yesterday - and adds to the complications, about the Erice & the Calluna in Bartucket. We must now learn from Mr. Daine, & Mr. Owen - the exact particulars, ^{of environment} of the new claimants. I am in doubt now as to whether there are 2 or 3 localities of Erice ^{there}.

I forgot to say when with you - that I owe you 4.75 - for 1 copy last part of Sym. Hist. vol. II. Dr. H. C. Wood. Now I find here an order from W^m H. Doughterty for both the parts. Part 2 of Vol. I - I will supply him from the stock here, and will ask you to mail a copy of Part 1 of Vol. II - to W^m H. Doughterty, ^{1435 Girard Avenue} Philadelphia, Pa. ~~Longfellow~~ ~~Canton, West Point, New York, N.Y.~~ Please notify me of the price of this part - and I will remit to you

for all. — Please say to Mr. Gray that
her lovely flowers reached home in good condition
& "still live" to remind us of her.

With messages of love from Clara & her mother

Sincerely yours

John H. Scamfield

Philæ Oct 30 1883

My dear Dr. Gray

Your kind letter of 27th was duly received, and yesterday came the plants.

I thank you with all my heart for the trouble you have taken with the Aster. I am relieved that you did not find more mistakes. If you were by my side - I should have a talk about one or two offhand & about these Solidys which on the spot perplexed me much.

And thanks on the Academys account for the very nice little collection sent them. They are all unusual things & most of them will I think be new to us. Next week I go through them & place them.

And I am very glad to have seen Mrs. Swenletter. She certainly threw great suspicion on the E. tetrica ~~and~~ Locality, and that tends also to cloud the other? I had a short letter from her this morning - It appears that she failed to find the locality of the E. tetrica - not understanding the directions

I wish she had seen it.

Mr. Owen's early letter, to me, did not give me the impression that "she always knew the presence of the *C. cinnerea* might be accounted for". I think she is right as to the scattered pine trees which are near it - viz - that they are from wind-blown seeds - from a plantation half a mile or so away. This piece of wood is a pretty extensive one - and is certainly pitch pine (*P. rigida*) - ^{as Mr. Eaton says} & I guess from Cape Cod! Mr. Folger the antiquarian of Nantucket told me that he remembered all about the planting of that grove (as well he might - for he froze his fingers in surveying the land for that purpose)

If Mr. O.'s letter had come sooner, it would have prevented ^{a modified} a little notice which got into Science a week or two ago - but our "Proceedings" will be more non-committal.

Your postal about *Blechnum* received this ~~noon~~ afternoon. I find one of my specimens has male flowers only - and the other - only full grown archia. But I found some female flowers in Oct. & sent her with a scrap.

It was funny for you to stumble on my rash venture into ichthyology. Luckily nobody in this country ^{then} knew any more about them than I did; and my inference that those fossils indicated for the formation "a higher situation in the series than that (then) assigned it by geologists" - held good. It could not be otherwise - since it was based on Agassiz' observations & reasonings.

With kind regards from us all to
Mabel & yourself, remain
Yours truly
John M. Peasefield

Phil^a April 2, 1886

My dear Dr. Gray

As I have sold several books & supplements it may be well to account for them, up to the present time.

I received 11 copies of the whole volume and 24 copies of the supplement, and have sold 6 copies of the former & 7 of the latter, leaving on hand whole volumes 5

Supplements 17.

I have also left over, 1 copy of Vol. I. part 2. which will probably not be sold.

So that the account will stand thus

5 Copies - Gamopetalae	\$ 5	30. "
7 " " Supplement	"	<u>7</u>
		<u>37.</u>

Less exp[ense] of 1st 12 cop. Suppl. .40
" " 2nd parcel .72 ..88 1.28

Balance ————— 35.72

for which I enclose my check.

Your attention has doubtless already been called to the slip made at first

of p 470 - where the enumeration of genera & species of "the Gamopetalae of the N. Am. Flora" - really includes only that part of them in Vol. II. Part I. I know its discrepancy must have vexed you

Poor Rottnest has been very ill - I imagine dangerously so - took cold in a chilly lecture room - and it ran into peritonitis. Garby is not well - and I have not been worth much all winter, and was recently condemned to spend four days at Atlantic City - but am now coming right. Mr. Redfield we have had a bad cold - and we all glad to see these milder days.

I hope that you & Mrs. Gray have been well.

Yours sincerely
John H. Redfield

List.

Volume of Gamopetala

J. H. Redfield	1	Copy
Ac. Nat. Sci	1	-
Dr. C. Schaffer	1	-
W. M. Canby	2	-
J. C. Martindale	1	<u>2 copies</u>

Supplement -	J. Meehan	1	Copy
	Aubrey W. Smith	1	-
	Dr. Bernard Brunton	1	-
	Mr. Pennington	1	-
	Dr. C. Schaffer	1	-
	Isaac Bush	1	-
	Acad. Nat. Sci	1	<u>7 copies</u>

Phil. April 28, 1886

My dear Dr. Gray

Do you know whether any one has ever made the attempt to identify the new species of *Paspalum* proposed & described by Major Decoste in *Journal de Physique*, in 1820? - We have in our Herb. specimens of most of them with his autographic tickets. If this has never been done, here is a good job for Basye or Scribner. Has this paper ever published in this country?

I notice that Scribner is quite disposed to quibble Buckley for the names of grasses which the latter filched from Nuttall's ticket, in our herbarium. ~~Let~~ Perhaps he has the letter of the law on his side - but I doubt like it. I protested once, ~~at~~ calling his attention to the fact in the case - and to your prompt reclamation.

Yours sincerely
John H. Redfield

Thanks for reply to the Sycamore questions.
I had been asked to give my recollections
of the period from 1886 onward?

Phila Sept 17, 1880

My dear Dr. Gray

In the notes on Nantucket heaths, which I recalled from you - were some historic statements which needed correction - as I have re-written the whole thing - have sent it to Mrs. Owen for her revision - requesting her to reward it to you.

I had not intended it for publication but simply as a record which in your hands might be useful. I thought that a publication now - might subject the botanical residents of Nantucket to enquiries and solicitations troublesome to them - and possibly fatal to the plants. But this I leave to the counsel of Mrs. Owen and Mrs. Starbuck - who have put me in the way of seeing all - a privilege which I think no one else has had.

I wonder if you have yet returned from your Oneida Co. visit - which must have had very peculiar interest to you. I hope that you and Mrs. Gray enjoyed it all, and

that you return built up.

We broke up our Seal Harbor sojourn on the 9th leaving Lila to stay a few days longer - In Boston we separated - I to Pittsfield & Mrs. R. & Clara by night train to Phil^e. Clara had not been well before leaving - and it was necessary to get her home as quietly as possible - Yet she seems much better than when we left home in June. Had we been ^{ever} sure that you and Mrs. Gray were at home - Clara's condition would have been inconsistent with visiting, though Mrs. R. and she both appreciated the kindness of Mrs. Gray's invitation, the acceptance of which would have been such an enjoyment had Clara been well.

Lila is now somewhere in Boston, and will see Mrs. Gray before she leaves.

We all send earnest love,

Yours ever faithful
John H. Seedfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE

PHILADELPHIA.

March 15, 1887

My dear Dr. Gray

Banby told me last evening something about Piagets plans & that he had advanced something for outfit - but his information seemed to be very slight & vague and so I write to ask - whether the sums already subscribed are sufficient - and in what region Piagets proposes to collect. One object I have in asking this, is to enable me to decide whether I shall take a small share of the load - and if so, ^{whether} to take it off Banbys shoulders or to let him bear his own burden, and to pick up a fresh one?

What is the character and extent of Palmers work for 1886?

Do you want any genus covers? If we can place say 1000 lbs - say 10 or 12 reams we can get of excellent quality for 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ per lb - but we need here only 3 or 4 reams

We hear that you & Mr. Gray are about to go to Europe. We hope it is for rest and relaxation, and not for any unfavorable news about Miss Louise.

I hope you will excuse all these questions coming in the midst of your preparations.

With kind regard from us all to Mrs. Gray & yourself

Yours as ever

John H. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE
PHILADELPHIA.

Dec 19. 1888

My dear Prof. Watson

I find in our Herbarium no specimen of Hypericum nudiflorum - bearing Schweinitz' ticket, nor any from Pennsylvania. In Schweinitz's own MSS. Catalogue of his Herbarium is an entry "Hypericum nudiflorum My., Salem," which of course means Salem N.C.

We have specimens from Georgia, collected & ticketed by Read, Elliott, Leconte and Read.

And in Dr. Short's Herb. specimens from Wilmington N.C. - Curtis

Georgia Boykin'

Louisiana Hale

(E. Florida Leavenworth - The latter though ticketed nudiflorum are the form usually called cistifolium!)

Moreover ~~Geo~~ I saw Prof. Porter this morning - who says he never knew it in Pennsyl-

vania - nor nearer to it than N. Carolina.

So I think ~~so~~ you will have to exclude it from Manual of Northern States.

I do not know just where you are to draw the line as to adventive or immigrant plants - but you may note that I have this season seen *Tragopogon pretensis* well established in a field at Monmouth Beach N. J., and in meadows in Norfolk County -

In the last named town *Hieracium aurantiacum* has a foot-hold in fields, and what is strange *Mimulus luteus*; has taken foothold in some wet meadows in more than one locality. Prof. Barbour of Hartford sent me specimens of it, and I also saw it before it came into flower.

Yours very truly
John K. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA.

Jan 10^r 1889

My dear Mr. Watson

I enclose my check for five
dollars for 1 copy of *Synoptical flora*
of N. Am. (the complete volume) sold to Dr.
J. Bernarr Brunton of this city.

I have still on hand belonging
to Est. of Dr. Gray - or of whoever may be
the party in interest,

1 Copy of the complete volume
1 " " Vol. I. Part 2
1 " " Supplement.

I may some day have an application for
the copy complete - but am hardly likely to
make sale of the others, and should be
glad to have instructions regarding them.

My kindest regards to Mrs. Gray, and
if Mr. Donnell Smith be still with you re-
member me to him. Yours sincerely
John H. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE
PHILADELPHIA.

Feb 4, 1889

My dear Prof. Watson

The package containing the two volumes of Drummond's Rocky Mt. Moses & the copies of your last contributions arrived to-day.

The Drummond collection is much more extensive than I supposed, and makes a most ^{important} addition to our Mo. collection. I shall, as you suggest, send an acknowledgment to Mr. Thistleton Dyer - but the Academy is now the less indebted to you, for giving direction to the gift, and you will please accept my thanks on its behalf.

Also I thank you for the No. 10 of your Contributions, & for the copy to the Academy. The remaining ones will be distributed as addressed.

Yours sincerely
John G. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA.

May 14, 1889

My dear Prof. Watson

I mail you some specimens of *Ceratodon*
Comadrii - from a remarkable locality discovered
two years ago by Prof. Merrill.

For many years the plant had seemed
to be lost to N. Jersey - for it disappeared from
Dr. Jones' old locality more than 20 years
ago, but Merrill found it in most astonishing
profusion 3 miles west (just where I'm from
Phil. Acad. 1869. pp. 91, 92) - I had indicated
that it should be looked for

As this is probably the most abundant locality
in the U. S. I have thought the new Manual
ought to take cognizance of it.

Yours truly
John H. Redfield

with kind remembrances of

John H. Redfield.

Xmas 1889

distinguished botanists as they passed from the stage. The only biographical notice of Nuttall that I know of is one prepared by Mr. Meekhan many years ago for the Gardener's Monthly.

Having had occasion to write to Prof. Sargent today on another subject, I have mentioned to him the substance of what I have written you on this point.

Mr. Redfield & Lila both send their love to you, & Lila will take an early occasion also to write you.

Your affectionate friend
John H. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA.

Jan 30, 1891

My dear Mrs. Gray

As Lila has referred to me an enquiry respecting Nuttall in your last kind letter, I want to begin by expressing all our thanks - for the kind & comforting expressions of sympathy which have come to us from you. I have never before realized how much of a alleviation such expressions can bring to wounded hearts, especially when they come from dear friends and from those who have had opportunity to know the excellencies of the departed ones. You had known Clara so well, and she had always regarded you with so much admiration, that your words of sympathy in our grief, seemed to us peculiarly touching. And yet when her most intimate friends out-

side of the family - have said all they could say of the dear ones' virtues, they can only faintly shadow all that we have known of her goodness. Still there is a wonderful consonance, in all the many tributes we have received - of special allusion to the gracious sweetness of her presence, her entire unselfishness, her thoughts fullness for others, and her patient endurance under suffering.

At times the events of the last four weeks seem a dreadful dream, from which one must awake - and then comes a still more dreadful conviction of reality.

But we bless God for what she has been to us - thankful that we had her so long - and that every past recollection of her is comforting. Her sickness was agonizingly painful - but no murmur escaped her, - but the

end came peaceful & without a struggle. Excuse me for dwelling on this theme, but you have so recently been through these dark waters, that you will pardon this indulgence. If I mistake not - it is just three years to day - since your own great grief, a grief in which so many shared, few more than I.

I cannot give any light on the question which Prof. Sargent asks about Nuttall. I am not aware that Dr. Gray ever published any biographical sketch of him, though I have an impression that in the Am. Jour. Sci. - there was a brief announcement of his death - which perhaps was from Dr. G's pen. Nor am I aware that he had ever written out such a sketch. Yet it has always seemed strange that he had not done this, knowing how careful he always was to prepare the "necrology" of

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Oct 13, 1891

My dear Dr. Watson

When I had the pleasure of meeting you at Cambridge - I think that you informed me that the Herbarium there, did not possess a set of Dr. Gray's Gramineae & Cyperaceae - the preparation of which "exsiccatæ" was one of his earliest tasks. Possibly it was Mrs. Gray who mentioned it I am not sure. Will you have the kindness to write me whether this piculus really exists? If so, I shall take pleasure in forwarding a duplicate set belonging to the Academy which certainly can find no more appropriate place ~~for~~ of deposit than the Gray Herbarium.

Yours very truly
John H. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA.

Dec 4, 1891

H. L. Hernald Esq
My dear Sir

I acknowledge receipt of your favor of 1st accompanying a notice of my election as a Corresponding Member of the Portland Society of Natural History. I have just written to its Secretary to thank the Society for what I esteem a great honor, and permit me now to thank you for suggesting it.

As to exchanges - I have never done much in that way - owing to pressure of other matters - and therefore have not collected largely. Still I have duplicates of some of the M. Desert species, which later in the winter I may find time to overhaul, and shall then take pleasure in selecting for you any thing that may seem desirable. Mr.

Rand deserves all praise for the
energy and perseverance he has man-
ifested in the exploration of the Flora
of that island.

With kind regards to Dr. Watson
I remain

Very truly yours
John H. Redfield

Ausd
P.C.M.

Seal Harbor (summer address)
Hancock Co., Me

June 22, 1892

Prentice C. Manning Esq.

Corresp. Sec. Portland Soc. Nat. Hist.

Dear Sir

I enclose acknowledgment of a copy of the 2nd edition of the Portland Catalogue of Maine Plants and take the occasion to return my thanks, and to compliment your Society upon the address and appearance of this new edition.

I have not yet had opportunity to go through it in detail - and compare the Mt. Desert lists which Mr. Rand and myself have noticed.

At present I merely note respecting the few species of the Catalogue marked = ; that on Mt. Desert and the neighboring islands Empetrum nigrum occurs ^{in great abundance} nearly all the rocky head lands - only a few feet above the

Ocean - the sea fogs seeming to suit
it quite as well as the mists of the moun-
tains.

Potentilla tridentata not only is abundant
upon hills only a few hundred feet high,
but frequently comes down along rocky
open places 50 or 100 feet above sea

Arenaria groenlandica occurs ^{abundantly,}
might be expected - upon the higher sum-
mits of the island - 1500 to 800 feet but
occasionally is seen even near the snows.
at moderate elevations

Glaux maritima does not appear in
the Catalogue - but is, probably inadvert-
ently omitted.

If I should find any other point wor-
thy of notice I will communicate it,
but with poor eyes I can hardly expect
to add any thing which has escaped the
keen sight and the indefatigable energy
of Mr. Ed. L. Knobell

Yours very truly
John H. Redfield

journey of, 1879. How can it be fourteen
years ago?
and Mrs. Redfield & Lila join
in kind wishes to them and to yourself.

Sincerely

Your old friend
John H. Redfield

Sea-Side Inn,
Seal Harbor, Hancock Co., Me.
Aug 28, 1893

My dear Mrs. Gray,

We were all much gratified to hear
from you by your letter of 10th inst., and to
learn that you and your family are well.

And to hear that your work is progressing
so well, is very cheering. When we consider the
enormous amount of work involved in all the
different stages of the undertaking, and how
much care and thought you have had to give
it, I do not think you have been slow.

What will you do when it is finished?
For one thing, you will be entitled to a good
rest!

You are very kind in proposing to mention
me among those who have aided you. What I
have done has been so little, that I hardly de-
serve such an honor. But certainly I cannot
object to a compliment that will associate my

name with the memory of one whom I
so dearly loved and so highly honored.
I wish I better deserved it. I shall look
forward with great eagerness to the pub-
lication, and hope to secure some purchasers.

We arrived at this summer home on
the 17th June, and have had a great deal
of quiet enjoyment. We have all kept pretty
well. We never before have had so large a
proportion of beautiful weather, and so much
exemption from fog. The nearest approach to
hot weather has been a few days when the
thermometer went above 80°. On Monday we
had a heavy N.E. gale - with much rain, which
was followed yesterday by a magnificent day, and
a wonderful display of surf. Doubtless your
weather on the north shore has not been very
different.

Most of the visitors come here year after
year, still there have been many changes. Among
the new ones (to this house) - have been Prof.
Lyon of Cambridge (the physiologist) and

his charming German wife. Prof. Thayer
and family occupy a cottage in the vicinity.
His daughters are fine musicians, and are
a great addition to the social circle of the
Harbor.

I find myself compelled to refrain from
such long tramps as in former years, yet I can
be reasonably active, and with my correspondence
and other writing I have no difficulty in filling
up the time. In the evening while others play
cards I read novels, and my wife plays *Halma*.

You speak of going to Chicago after the
middle of September. Will you not plan to return
by way of Philadelphia, and stop with us a few
days? Mrs. Redfield desires me to urge this.
We shall be home and settled before that time
and should so enjoy such a visit. We have all
so much to talk over! Lila too urges it. She is
off this morning rowing to one of the islands.

Will you give my kind regards to your
brother & sister, and to your nieces Miss Catharine
& Miss Louisa. Often do I think of that pleasant

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Jan 16, 1894

My dear Mrs. Gray

Lila told me that you were preparing a list of corrections for "The Letters" - and would be glad to have your attention called to any that I might have noticed.

One was mentioned I think, in my last - on p. 472 - Vol II. - where the date of the letter to Darwin - should be 1862.

On p. 565 - should not fifth read fourth? so I reckoned it when reading, but you will know.

On p. 704 - 9th line from foot - mucranatum should be mucronatum.

These few are all that I have noticed - The book seems to have been very carefully printed. It is remarkable that there are so few errors - and what inviting type and paper your publishers have furnished! It is a delight to

look into one of their books.

I hear nothing but approval in regard to your work - and approbation of the charming letters. You have probably seen most or all of the "notices" in the periodicals. One in "The Independent" was very kindly and full. Am I right in ascribing it to Mr. Wright? - or did the editor Rev. Hayes Ward do it? - The N.Y. Tribune had a good notice, and yesterday my attention was called to one in "The Churchman".

Britton has not designed to notice the book. I am curious to see what Mrs. Beecher will write for "Zoe".

I am glad to know that Miss Gray is better - and I hope that you are escaping "grippe" and all kindred evils. I have a grand-daughter from Minneapolis spending the winter with us - and she was in bed a week from grippe - now recovering, though - as I hope.

Mrs. Redfield & myself - have so far

maintained our usual health. She sends her love to you, in which Lila would join if here, but she is off on a weeks visit to friends in Brooklyn and New-York.

Please give kind regards to all your brother's family as opportunity offers. and believe me your

True and affectionate friend
John H. Redfield

P.S. I heard some time ago that Mr. Robinson was quite ill. Is he out again? I want to trouble him with a question when he is able to work.

J.H.R.

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and energy that are now being worse than wasted in hunting up antiquarian ^{botanical} bibliography for the purpose of unsettling settled names of plants — could be applied to this really useful work!

I am happy to report Mrs. Redfield and myself as in fair health. Dila however has had a long siege of illness — which might be called I suppose — a bronchial form of gripe. She has had much cough and great prostration of strength ^{but no pain.} But I am glad to report that she is now regaining strength — and able to leave her room.

The correction to the Letters — to which I alluded at the beginning of this sheet, — consists of a curious omission in the List of Scientific Societies of which Dr. Gray was a member — curious because it is the first society of which he was a member.

Therefore ~~the~~ List D. on page 825 should

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Feb 23, 1894

My dear Mrs. Gray

I was on the point of sitting down to write you regarding a correction for "The Letters" when I received yours of ~~the~~ ^{1st} inst.

I am delighted to know that you have attacked the autographs. It will doubtless be a long labor, accompanied with much perplexity, but after all, there will be much satisfaction in the work — and the collection when arranged will be of inestimable value.

I think you are wise in adopting an alphabetical arrangement. A topical arrangement would have difficulties, and a chronological one — though presenting some advantages — is not so readily referred to.

What will be your course in regard to extended correspondence — with such men as the Hookers, Darwin, Bentham, the De Sandolles and others? I presume you will wish to

preserve each series, unbroken, each writer's letters in chronological order - but shall you not make them a part of the general autograph collection, - or keep them separate?

Now, as to the leaving out. I think Dr. Gray's idea - that it is important that herbarium labels - should wherever possible be authenticated by an autographic letter - has great force. and if you undertake to make a separate book of "the small people" - where can you draw the line? Better have names that some would deem superfluous - than hasti to be lamented.

And in regard to people - of whom you know but little, I should include all those who have evinced an interest in botanical studies. Men of general scientific reputation - of course there will be no question about.

I wish indeed that I were near enough to drop in and talk over all questionable points. I do not know any establishment - where you could effect exchanges of photographs and autographs. There probably are such places in N. York

and I should think that Boston especially ought to furnish such a mart.

In regard to the note or comment to be attached to each person - I think that similar notes which you have furnished for the Gray letters - are about on the right scale.

I shall be very glad to contribute whatever I can towards elucidating the personality of any of the writers. But there are some names in the little list you send, which baffle me. I will send some notes on another page. How much we need a Dictionary of Scientific Writers or laborers, on the plan of Allibone's Dictionary of Authors - except in extending its scope to writers of all nations. Such a dictionary of botanical writers, beginning with the earliest writers - and coming down to the present time, arranged alphabetically - but with also a chronological appendix - & would be a boon to the botanical world! Would that some able young man would take up this work con amore. Would that some of the time

P.S. - I see that my good wife has explained why it seems necessary - to make our homeward journey unbroken. It certainly would give us great pleasure to see you on our way, and I should be glad to aid you in your work as far as possible. But I will cheerfully give what help I can - by letter - if you will send me the points desired. Do think seriously of Mrs. R's wish that you should visit us before the autumn is over - or at any season that may suit you better.

M. Rand & myself have at last finished our "Flora of Mt Desert" - The labor has been almost entirely his. He returns from a short visit here - with us on 24th and will send you a copy of the work with our compliments. Would that dear Dr. Gray were living to receive it!

With kindest regards of your sincere friend John H. Redfield

Sea Side Inn
Seal Harbor
Sept 17, '94

My dear Mrs. Gray -

Your lovely

letter arrived on time, & I heartily thank you for it. & for your very attach-
the invitation to us all
to spend a few days
with you - on our way
home - It is so kind in
you "to want us" - & we do
want to accept. But really feel that we cannot
well take the time &
must decline, this time.
It is now so late in the
month, & there is so much
to be done at home, to

to get into living order. In years it has been plans
before him - says in that we ought ^{and} to have like, to meet
we all feel that we ought again & we have all kept
to go directly home - we well - there is so much
have on Staterooms en- that would interest you
gaged for the night of the 24th, on the "City of Bangor" in our life here that
I hope for smooth seas, I am sorry not to have
a safe passage - & to catch the chance to tell you of.
Boston in time for the Colon now - but what is to hinder
mail express on Tuesday a.m. your making us a visit
We have had a smooth comfort this autumn? We hope
able summer, in spite of the heat elsewhere, in fact our weather generally is fine in Nov.
we have had no hot weather & see you in Phila. at about
only about two days, when most any time after ^{that date}
I should have been more ~~that~~ that would suit you
comfortable in a warm dress (Please think of it, I decide
(but did not wear one) - to come - with very many
The house has been full ^{with} thanks for your kind invitation &
& very many of our old friends who have been coming

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October 10, 1894

My dear Mrs. Gray

I trust you will excuse me for so long delaying a reply to your acceptable letter of Sept 29. For the first week or more after my return I found so many matters pressing for my attention - that correspondence was neglected. But within the last few days I have been trying to supply some of the biographical data which you lack. As yet however with only partial success.

I return your memoranda with such facts as I have been able to gather. I have written to my friend Dr. Ruschenburger - who has a penchant for biography - to ask if he can give me any points regarding the names - yet left blank - and also if it be in his power to procure an autograph of Dr. Benj. Smith Barton.

I know nothing of William Pick. A little

book upon the Genera of American Plants was compiled by Major A. Rich - who was a botanist on Wilkes' Exped - and a son of O. Rich a noted book-collector. Can this be the one you refer to?

Parker Cleaveland of Maine - was chiefly noted as a mineralogist. I was not aware that he had interested himself in botany.

I am not without hope of yet filling some of the remaining blanks, and should I get any points from Dr. Ruschenberger, I will apprise you.

We were very sorry that we could not make it convenient to see you on our way home. We spent but two hours in Boston - just long enough to get to the Providence station - and breakfast. Our journey from Boston was made very easy and comfortable - by taking the Central Express - which carries one around New York, without change of cars.

We hope you will still keep in mind, a visit to us here, and will find some

convenient time and occasion for it. It would gratify Mrs. Redfield so much.

She and Sila are both pretty well, and send warmest love,

Your affectionate friend
John H. Redfield

P. S. Dr. T. H. Allen - enquired about in a previous mem; - I find from Appleton's Biog. Dict - is Timothy Field Allen M. D. born in Westminster Vt. Apr 24, 1817. Resides in N.Y. - and has been a frequent contributor to the Bulletin of the Torrey Club. He has made a special study of the Characeae - a very difficult tribe of cryptogamic plants.

We are mourning in common with your community - the departure of that lovely genial man Dr. Holmes. There seem to be no successors in sight - to replace that brilliant coterie of literary & scientific men which was the crowning glory of Boston & its vicinity. JHR

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Oct 12, 1894

My dear Mrs. Gray

Since writing you, I have received from Mr. Meehan - some facts respecting Jacob Stauffer and Parker Cleveland, which are probably just what you need. I enclose his memoranda.

D. Ruschenbager referred me to a very interesting sketch of Louis de Schweinitz, in the April No. of the Popular Science Monthly - from which I find he had a son Robert, who may be the individual you ask about. The sketch says "The second son Robert, was born in Salem N.C. in 1819. He has filled various charges and was for many years President of the Executive Board of the Am. Moravian Church. Since his retirement from the active ministry, he has been General Treasurer of the Church and of its Foreign Missionary Department." This clue may enable me to get further points

if necessary, and if this be the right man.

I am going to try Prof Porter or Lilienthal.

I fear it will not be easy to get the
autograph of Dr. B. S. Barton.)

I hope these little items will help some, and
I am now ready for any more consultation.

Mrs. Redfield is deep in supervising
renovations in house - upholstery, paint &c.
The set back the Boulevard scheme has re-
ceived, - gives us a little courage to paint
up - though the scheme may be revived another
year. She & Silas send love.

Your affectionate friend
John H. Redfield

I ~~now~~ suppose you have letters of Louis de
Schweinitz - who was eminent in botany. Have
you his portrait? One is prefixed to the number
of Popular Sci. Monthly above mentioned. Plenty
of his hand-writing comes before me every day,
but no signature.

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Nov 1, 1894

My dear Mrs. Gray

I hope you are not chiding my delay. I have been letting the days run on, in hopes of their bringing me some of the information you desire - but as yet without much fruit.

I smiled at your sentence - as to your writing to a man to say "please, Sir, when were you born," and was about to act upon^{it} by writing to Mr. Potts, when I met him accidentally at the Academy and propounded the question. The reply was Dec 19, 1829. I shall ask the same question of Chas. E. Smith. Stupidly enough I forgot it when I met him last.

I used to know old Major Secours so well that it seems as if I ought to have some of his letters - but in those days we lived in the same city (New-York) and so our communications were verbal. I knew his son John L. - but never met his wife.

It has been suggested to me that he left a son, a physician in this city, and I shall get his address and make bold to write to him.

From Thos. G. Gentry I think I can get an autograph - through Mr. Mechan - who is a neighbor to him. He is mainly a bird man but has dabbled a little in botany.

I shall try to keep in mind all your lacks - so don't despair.

The month that has just passed away, has been accompanied with delightful weather for the most part, and Mrs. R. has been improving it by getting house hold matters re-ordered and I believe the process is about completed.

Your friend at command
John H. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA.

Nov 5, 1894

My dear Mrs. Gray,

There is nothing like a little stock of impudence! A day or two ago I addressed a note to Dr. Le Conte's widow - expressing, and explaining your desire for an autograph of the Major, and this morning in reply, I received the enclosed. I also enclose Mrs. Le Conte's note containing messages.

Meehan will try to get a note from Thos. G. Gentay, and I shall not forget to obtain Chas. E. Smith's age. I hope to meet him next Monday - and if I do not, will write for it.

Mrs. Redfield is still hoping for that visit from you.

Your dutiful friend
John H. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA.

Nov 14, 1894

My dear Mrs. Gray

Today I saw Mr. Chas E. Smith and obtained from him the date of his birth which is Nov 1, 1820. And he promises to send you a print of an excellent steel engraving of his portrait, made a few years ago.

A little artifice of Mr. Meehan's has brought an autograph letter from Thos G. Hentry which I enclose. I suppose one of an older date would better suit your object, but this will be better than none.

I duly received your letters of 6. & 8th instants. Your wintry storm was only rain here - so that we have escaped all slush, but we had several freezing nights which have killed off all tender vegetation.

Mrs. Redfield & I will send warmest love and hope to see you as early as your plans and

convenience may permit.

Don't hesitate to propound any new en-
quiries which may arise.

Your true friend
John H. Redfield

216 WEST LOGAN SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA.

Dec 22, 1894

My dear Mrs. Gray

Please accept our Christmas greetings — and with them my latest photo. — in 80th year — (say 79½).

Mrs. Redfield intended to have sent hers also — but was disappointed by the finisher. It will follow later.

And now I must apologize for my neglect of your last letter which I find ~~was~~ written as far back as Nov 23! In it you expressed a wish to get an autograph and some points in his history. I have been in daily expectation of meeting him — and asking him for these things. But he is so exceedingly busy with the new Museum of Economic Botany (made up of the Chicago material — which is under his charge) — that he does not get near the

Academy.

I will write him for what we want
— if I don't meet him soon.

We are having a delightful December.
The weather for a week past has been
genial as October. May it continue
for I dread the bitter days which winter
sometimes brings.

Your sincere friend
John H. Redfield